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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6079

BILL NUMBER: SB 171

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 22, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Forensic Addiction Fund.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lawson C

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill creates the Forensic Addiction Fund (FAF) to create a funding source for grants to probation departments and community corrections programs to increase substance abuse treatment access for individuals on probation or in a community correction program. Provides that the Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA) administers the fund. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Commission on Mental Health and Addiction.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA) would administer the proposed FAF. Expenses for administering the FAF would be paid from the money in the fund. Sources of money for the fund would include appropriation by the General Assembly, gifts, or money received from other sources including transfers from other funds or accounts. Money in the FAF at the end of a state fiscal year would not revert to the state General Fund.

Use of FAF resources for grants would be determined by the DMHA in consultation with the Indiana Judicial Center and local probation departments. Grants to probation departments and community correction programs (CCPs) would be for the purpose of increasing substance abuse treatment access for persons on probation or in a CCP that are under court supervision and who have been diagnosed with a substance abuse disorder or co-occurring disorder.

The impact of this provision on state expenditures would depend on future legislative, administrative, and charitable action. The DMHA would likely be able to adopt the rules necessary to implement the fund within existing resources.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Local probation departments and CCPs could receive grants of an indeterminable amount in future years for substance abuse treatment assistance. The amount of funds received would depend on the availability of money in the FAF and state action.

State Agencies Affected: DMHA; Indiana Judicial Center.

Local Agencies Affected: Probation departments, CCPs.

Information Sources:

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